NATIONAL INTEGRATION CAMP – I, BHUBANESWAR (ODISHA) 30TH SEPT. -11TH OCT.2013 REPORT

Introduction: National Integration Camp is one of the main activity of the N.C.C.. It is unique as it deferent from other regular activities of N.C.C. The other camps ATC, TSC, RDC, Trekking are training camps. But the NIC is included in NCC activities with aims

(I) To develop close bond of friendship and bring out greater integration and mutual understanding amongst the various states

(II) To develop general awareness about state's historical background, natural resources, developments projects, different religious status and customs, thus highlighting the aspects of "Unity in Diversity"

India has very vast diversity in geography, culture, languages, social status and many other things. But since ancient history the uniqueness of the India is the Unity in all these diversities. The secrete of this unity is the clear understanding of everyone and society's progress lies in the "Living together and with understanding each other. Also the deep sense of almighty power, God, brotherhood ship." Swami Vivekananda could convince all worlds by just two words, "Brothers and Sisters."

Now a day there are many threats to this unity and integrity of the country. If we can inculculate in young minds the bond of friendship, brotherhood ship, then many problems will be dissolved. The NIC was organised with this view.

Camp Location and brief history of Location: Camp was organised in the campus of Shiksha O Anusandhan (SOA) University, Bhubaneswar, Odisha. I t is capital city of Odisha. SOA University is Deemed University, recognised by UGC in 2007.Odisha is located on the eastern part of India and bounded by Jharkhand, West Bengal, A.P. Chattishgarh, and Bay of Bengal sea. The state has 428 kms of sea coast and area of 11akh fifty thousand seven hundred and seven sq. Kms. The population is around three crore in 30 districts. Odisha , has rich history and heritage. Odisha as known as Kalinga, Kosala, and Utakkal in ancient times. It became part of Magadha, when conquered by Mouryan King Ashoka in 261 BC, but regained independence under Kharvella the state came under British rule in 1803 and made part of Bengal presidency. It became separate province in April,1936.

There are rich minerals, forests and water resources in Odisha, but it is less developed state as compare to other states in India. However, agriculture still remains the main source of the state economy.

Odisha has rich cultural heritage and it is still maintained as most areas are not urbanized. The dense forests, large lakes are supporting rich fauna and flora. Remote sea beaches, sanctuary, Jagannath Puri attracts people from the India and abroad.

Bhubaneswar is growing as leading education hub in the state. The Bhubaneswar MNC has been awarded as Best Corporation by USA.

Camp Strength: The total strength of the camp was 637. The strength includes two Camp commandant Col. Palo, Dy. Camp commandant Col. A.K. Gulati, sixteen ANOs, , four GCIs, twenty two P.I. staff and 593 cades both SD and SW, JD and JW. All sixteen directorates were allotted 10 SD and 06 SW cadets.

Camp Appointments:

Camp commandant: Col. Palo, S.K. Officiating Group Cdr., Cuttack GroupDy. Camp commandant:Col. A.K.Gulati, C.O. 7-Odisha Bn BhadrakCamp Adjutant: Capt. Panda, Odisha Dte.Camp Trg. Officer: Sub. Shekhar, 7-Odisha Bn Bhadrak

Organisation of Camp: The camp was organised by Odisha NCC Dte and SOA, University. The conduct of camp responsibility was given to 7(O) Bn, NCC, unit Bhadrak. SOA has provided all lodging, transportation and media coverage facilities. They conducted Inaugural and valedictory functions and sponsored one lunch.7 (O) Bn. Conducted all other activities and visits to various places.

Composition of Maharashtra Directorate contingent:

- 1. A.N.O. : Capt. Dr. Wesanekar, P.R.; 52 Mah Bn NCC , Nanded
- 2. Six SW cadets(KRM College, Nanded) of 7 Mah NCC Girls Bn. Aurangabad
- 3. Five SD cadets (Shivaji College, Parbhani) of 52 Mah Bn NCC, Nanded
- 4. Five SD cadets of (KMJ College, Washi and Tulaja Bhavani College, Tulajapur) of 53 Mah NCC Bn. Latur

Travel:

Nanded to Bhubaneswar: The cadets of Washi, Tulajapur and Parbhani travelled by bus from their native to Nanded and reported 52 Mah, NCC Bn. On 28th Sept,2013 Capt. Wesanekar and S.M. Ashok Kumar briefed the cadets in the Bn. On 29th 6.30 am Capt. Wesanekar and cadets in uniform were taken to Nanded Railway station by canter . SW cadets reported on railway station. We started our journey at 9.15 am by Deogiri Exp..It was late by 45 minutes. We reached Secunderabad at 2.00pm and boarded in Falaknuma Exp. for Bhubaneswar at 3.30 pm. After day and overnight travel we reached Bhubaneswar at 11 am. We were received at reception centre with lime water by Sub. Chaman Lal and briefed us about camp site and bus arrangements. The camp site is 10 kms. from railway station. We and Cadets of Rajasthan Dte. were taken by SOA University bus . We reported Camp control room at 12 noon and completed documentation. They allotted hall for cadets and room for ANO.

Bhubaneswar to Nanded :We started from camp site at 9.15 am on 11^{th} Oct. 2013. We and cadets of West Bengal Dte. were taken together to railway station by University bus. We started our return journey at 1.55 pm on 11^{TH} Oct by Falaknuma Exp. and reached Secunderabad on 12^{th} Oct. at 11 am. From Secunderabad to Nanded by Deogiri Exp. and reached Nanded at 7.30PM. The cadets of Latur unit and Parabhani send to their H.Q. By bus and train. I reported Col Rajshekhar C.O. 52 Mah Bn. and informed Trg. JCO Sub Kesakar . Latur cadet left for their native from Unit office on 13^{th} oct. Morning .

Camp Programme

INAUGURAL FUNCTION: Inaugural function was jointly organised by SOA University and 7 Odisha Bn on 1st Oct. in the convention hall of SOA. The chief guest of the function was Vice Chancellor of SOA, University Guest of Honour Prof Jyotiranjan Das and Mr Rishi Patnayak, Station Director, Radio Station, Col S. K.Palo, Camp Commandant and Col A.K.Gulati, Dy . Camp Commandant. Col. S.K. Palo gave the introduction and aims of the NIC; Col Gulati explained the detail programme of the camp, while Prof Jyotiranjan Das introduced the SOA University. Chief guest stressed on importance of integration and need of harmony in the society.

SCHEDULE OF DAY IN THE CAMP: The NIC is not training camp, schedule was not same for all days, but general schedule was as follows..

Morning Tea : 5.30 am P.T. : 6.30 – 7 am Break Fast : 7.30 – 8.30 am Lecture / Preparation of Competitions :9 am - 1 pm and 2.30 - 4.30 pmTea Break : 11- 11.30 am Lunch : 1.30 - 2.30 pm Roll Call : 5.30 pm ANO Conference: 5.30 pm Competitions: 6 - 8 pmDinner : 8 – 9 pm Interaction of cadets: 9 - 9.30 pm Light off : 9.30 pm

COMPETITIONS: The eight different types of competitions were conducted during the camp. The solo song, solo dance, group song, group dance competitions as cultural programme. One team from each directorate participated in the competitions. National Integration Awareness Presentations (NIAP) of respective states was given by each directorate in twenty minutes. NIAP was given through ppt, cultural event, and zalkies. The NIAP includes presentations on history, geography, culture, social status, economy, customs, traditions and places of interest etc. The presentations were in regional language, Hindi or English. The extempore (Debate) and creative writing competitions conducted in English . The topic of these competitions was given on spot.

Maharashtra directorate participated in all activities. The participation of Maharashtra Directorate is as follows:

- 1. Solo Song : Yaha Dal Dal par soneki chidiya karati hai basera by cadet Das Ramkishan
- 2. Solo dance : Lavani by Miss Jondhale Sonali
- 3. Group Song : *Eetani shakti hame dena data* by cadets Parave, Ubale, Das, Miss Jondhale , Miss Nikhate
- 4. Extempore : Cadet Das Ramkishan
- 5. Creative Writing : 1. SD Cadet Das Ramkishan 2. SW cadet Pandilwad Jija
- 6. Group Dance : *Ambabaicha Gondhal* Participants : Cadet Giram Amol, Parve Akash, Talware Shivaji, Borade Dayanand, Darade Prashant, Gavane Sainath, Miss Nikhate Diksha, Miss Jondhale Mayuri, Miss Narwade Shubhangi.
- Running : Two Kms. Run for SD Boys : Participants : Cadet Ubale Madhav, and Dilpak Akshay One Km. Run for girl cadets :Participants: Cadt Miss Jondhale Mayuri and Miss Nikhate Diksha.
- 8. **NIAP:** All sixteen cadets participated in this activity. They presented *marriage ceremony, varkari dindi, Vitthal, Ganesh Ustav, and other feature through by ppt.* Cadet Das was Anchor.

VISITS: Cadets were taken to different places of religious, historical and tourist interest. The visits were arranged on three days.

- 1. Lingraj Temple: It is in Bhubaneswar and one of the oldest temple of Lord Shiva. It is unique in archaeological and established over ten acre area.
- 2. Dhauli : It is place about 30 kms from Bhubaneswar, known for Boudh stup. It is place of last battle field of King Ashoka. He gave up his kingdom and followed Boudh religion. The stup is constructed by Japanese Bhikhu .
- **3.** Jagganath Puri : It is well known temple of Lord Jaganath and one of the four Char Dham of Hindu. The place is also world famous for Rath Yatra. Lakhs o f devotees participate in this Yatra. The place is on the sea coast of Bay of Bengal.
- **4.** Konark: It is world famous for Sun Temple in the Konark. There are carvings displays the culture, customs and idols of gods on the walls of the temple. The temple is also known for time observatory, based on sun light and its position. There are many mythological stories linked to this place.
- **5.** Chandrabaga Beach: There is beautiful sea beach with confluence of river Chandrabhaga in Bay of Bengal.
- **6.** Nandan Khanan Park: It is zoological, Botanical park and bird sanctuary in dense forest. It is spread over 1100 hector area .
- 7. Khandgiri Caves: There are cave of 7th century.

RALLY : One rally for social awareness on, 'Protection of historical monuments' was organised on 9^{th} Oct.2013. All the cadet and officers participated in the rally.

Fire fighting demonstration: On 7th afternoon, the fire fighting demonstration was given by Fire fighting team of Bhuvaneswar Municipal Corporation.

Guest Lectures: 1. Lecture on "Financial Matters" was delivered by Prof. Sahu and he stressed on Management of money.2. Lecture on, "Personality Development"

Valedictory Function: The valedictory function held on 10th Oct.2013 at 11am – 3 pm. The chief guest of the function was Mr. A.K. Sahu , Cabinet Minister for Energy and Communication , Go. of Odisha. Guest of honour, Commodore Mr. B.K.Patnayak, DDG, NCC Dte. Odisha. Mr. Mallik Director, ITER- SOA University ; President of the function Prof. D.P.Ray and other dignitaries Col. A.K.Gulati, Col S.K.Palo, Mr. Rishi Patnayak. The prizes to winners of competitions were distributed and All ANOs were felicitated by mementos.

The valedictory function was followed by cultural programme and ended by NCC Song.

SUGGESSTIONS FOR NEXT NIC CAMP:

1. The NIC vacancies should be allotted to any one unit only. There is lack of coordination if cadets from different colleges and difficult to convey for competitions

2. Some financial assistance should be given for costume, preparation of NIAP presentations and other competitions.

3. Common script on NIAP has to be prepared at Directorate level and circulated to all units

4. The GCI /lady ANO must be detailed with contingent to look after girl cadets.

5. It is found that some directorates specially southern states, provide costumes ,track suits and budget for NIC contingents.